## **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

[Docket No.: ED-2021-SCC-0108]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request; Impact Evaluation of Teacher Residency Programs

**AGENCY:** Institute of Educational Science (IES), Department of Education (ED).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ED is proposing a revision of a currently approved collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: To access and review all the documents related to the information collection listed in this notice, please use http://www.regulations.gov by searching the Docket ID number ED-2021-SCC-0108. Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov by selecting the Docket ID number or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. If the regulations.gov site is not available to the public for any reason, ED will temporarily accept comments at ICDocketMgr@ed.gov. Please include the docket ID number and the title of the information collection request when requesting documents or submitting comments. Please note that comments submitted by fax or e-mail and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted. Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the PRA Coordinator of the Strategic Collections and Clearance Governance and Strategy Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Ave, SW, LBJ, Room 6W208B, Washington, D.C. 20202-8240.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Meredith Bachman, 202-245-7494.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: Impact Evaluation of Teacher Residency Programs

OMB Control Number: 1850-0960

Type of Review: A revision of a currently approved information collection

Respondents / Affected Public: State, Local, and Tribal Governments

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 637

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 394

Abstract: The U.S. Department of Education (ED)'s Institute of Education Sciences (IES) requests clearance for data collection activities to support a study of teacher residency

programs. Teacher residency programs aim to better prepare new teachers by combining education coursework with extensive on-the-job training. Program participants complete a full-year apprenticeship, or "residency," under the supervision of an experienced mentor teacher before they become teachers of record. The programs help meet the needs of their partner districts by preparing teachers to fill shortages in high-needs schools and subjects. They offer financial support for residents in exchange for a commitment to teach for at least three to five years in the district, in an effort to improve teacher retention. This financial support may also help expand the pool of teacher candidates by encouraging people to enter the profession who might be deterred by the cost of a traditional teacher preparation program. This second request covers additional data collection activities for the study to examine program outcomes. A prior request (1850-0960, approved 4/26/2021) covered the collection of classroom rosters from schools to support random assignment of students to participating teachers.

Dated: July 16, 2021.

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